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E.O. 11652: GDS
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SUBJECT: FRIENDSHIP FORCE

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1. I HAD OCCASION JULY 27 TO DISCUSS FURTHER SUBJECT OF FRIENDSHIP FORCE ARRANGEMENTS BETWEEN US AND FRG WITH STATE SECRETARY SCHUELER IN CHANCELLOR'S OFFICE. I GAVE SCHUELER WIRELESS FILE AND OTHER LOCALLY AVAILABLE INFORMATION ON THE FRIENDSHIP FORCE, AND MADE CLEAR TO HIM THAT THIS IS A PRIVATE EFFORT, ALBEIT STRONGLY SUPPORTED BY USG, AIMED AT A GREATER PEOPLE-TO-PEOPLE UNDERSTANDING.

2. SCHUELER REAFFIRMED CHANCELLOR SCHMIDT'S INTEREST IN THIS PROGRAM, POINTING OUT THAT SCHMIDT HAD PARTICULARLY EMPHASIZED HIS INTEREST IN INCLUDING BERLIN. I POINTED OUT TO HIM THAT IT WAS OUR UNDERSTANDING, EMERGING FROM RECENT DISCUSSIONS IN HAMBURG AMONG REV. WAYNE SMITH, CONGEN KISELYAK AND MAYOR KLOSE, THAT THE MAYOR OF HAMBURG HAD BEEN DIRECTLY APPROACHED BY SCHMIDT TO CONVEY HIS INTEREST IN HAVING HAMBURG AS ONE OF THE FRIENDSHIP FORCE CITIES IN GERMANY. THE SCHEDULE WHICH NOW APPEARS
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TO BE SHAPING UP FOR GERMAN CITIES IS HAMBURG (JUNE 78), GELSENKIRCHEN (IN NORTH RHINE-WESTPHALIA, JULY 78), FOLLOWED BY BERLIN (PERHAPS AUTUMN 78). SCHUELER WELCOMED THIS INFORMATION AND SAID THAT MAYOR STOBBE OF BERLIN IS LIKELY TO RAISE THE SUBJECT OF BERLIN'S PARTICIPATION IN THE FRIENDSHIP FORCE PROGRAM IN WASHINGTON DURING HIS AUGUST VISIT TO THE US.

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